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Students say 'no' to decimals

by Heidi Holmblad

Four of the five propositions passed and seven new Student Legislative Council representatives will take office next week as the result of last week's election.

Students voted against implementing the decimal grading system. The results of this advisory referendum will be sent to the Academic Senate and President Alistair McCrone for further study.

Students passed propositions which will implement a student grand jury, subsidize public transportation and amend the election procedures. Elections will now be held once a year.

Students also approved SLC's plan to keep two of the houses behind the library and the majority said they would give them support.

Other winners—the candidates elected to represent each school and the freshman class—are as follows: Bill Slaughter, Behavioral and Social Sciences; Joseph Kibbe, Business and Economics; Ed Scher, Creative Arts and Humanities; Bert Van Duzer, Health and Physical Education; Thomas Olivares, Natural Resources; Peter Giomonsis, Science; and Mike Sullivan, Freshman Representative.

Antonio Gali and Nancy Koenig tied for the Interdisciplinary Studies and Special Programs seat, but both were disqualified for running under the wrong major.

Twelve percent of the student body voted in the two-day election which Elections Commissioner Dorothy Moller felt was quite a success.

"I only had three official days to plan it," Moller said, "and twelve percent is high for a fall election."

Moller was "extremely pleased" with the pollworkers, and added they were "very conscientious." She does not know whether it was because they were paid.

With the passage of the election amendment, Moller feels a lot of money will be saved with one election per year.

"Especially now that we're paying the pollworkers," she added.

The spring election will be held between the fourth and seventh week of next quarter. Moller wants to make sure the elections do not correspond with the same week of midterms.

"Hopefully we can get 25 percent for the spring elections," she said.

Elections commissioner disqualifies 2 candidates

by Heidi Holmblad

A "misunderstanding" resulted in the disqualification of the two write-in candidates for the Interdisciplinary Studies and Special Programs seat in last week's Student Legislative Council election.

Dorothy Moller, elections commissioner, disqualified Nancy Koenig and Antonio Gali because they were both political science majors at the time the election began. The candidates' major had to be in the ISSP to qualify for that seat.

"I hated to disqualify both of them, but I had to," Moller said. "There was no way I can let one of them take office."

After the votes were counted Koenig and Gali were tied with eight votes each. After a routine major check, Moller discovered that both of them were political science majors.

Koenig changed her major from political science to undeclared half-way through the election.

"When I found out you were supposed to be majoring in what seat you were going for, I changed it," Koenig said.

However, Moller disqualified her due

to the fact that there was no way of knowing how many votes were cast for Koenig when she was still a political science major.

Koenig is in the Cluster General Education program this year, which is listed under ISSP. Her goal for getting elected was to open a line of communication between Cluster and SLC.

Misunderstanding reported

Gali could not be reached for comment, however, Moller said that it was a misunderstanding on his part also. Because he is an ethnic studies minor, Gali thought he could run for the ISSP seat, according to Moller.

The problem could have been prevented, Moller said, if the majors were checked before the election. This was not done because Moller was appointed elections commissioner three school days before the election.

Limiting the amount of time write-in candidates have to file a petition to run has also been suggested as a solution to this problem. Write-in candidates can file one hour before the polls close.

However, Moller does not think this

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Permits required in most areas

Watch where you park it

by Richard Green

The curbs may be unpainted, restricted parking signs may not be directly visible and there may be no meters, but anyone parking without a permit on streets near HSU is likely to get ticketed.

HSU police are now enforcing permit regulations on seven streets, formerly under Arcata city jurisdiction, which are now the property of the university.

The affected streets are: 17th Street from Union to B Street, B Street from 14th Street to 17th, Harpst Street from L.K. Wood Boulevard to Rossow Street, Rossow Street from Harpst Street to the dead end, College Boulevard from 14th

Street to Harpst Street, Preston Drive from Plaza Avenue to Laurel Drive, and Laurel Drive from Preston Drive to Sequoia Avenue.

Under the California Vehicle Code the City of Arcata was not allowed to require permit parking on these streets. But when Arcata gave the streets to the university during the summer, HSU became empowered to require vehicles to have a \$10 parking permit.

However, under the terms of the California Vehicle Code, HSU was required to post appropriate signs warning people of the restricted parking.

"We now have permit required signs at

Oil, gas drilling off Northcoast appears likely

by Paul Engstrom

The leasing of areas off the northern and central California coast for oil and gas drilling is considered likely, informed sources have told The Lumberjack. If approved by the secretary of the interior, the leases will probably go on sale in February 1981.

The Interior Department on Nov. 29 called for nominations of and comments on potential oil and gas "blocks" located between San Luis Obispo and the California-Oregon border. A spokesperson for the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Office at the Bureau of Land Management in Los Angeles said it is too early to tell what areas will receive the most nominations and whether public comment will be positive or negative.

Great likelihood

Bruce Fodge, a permit analyst for the Regional Coastal Commission, thinks the likelihood of sale of Northcoast leases is "pretty great," especially in the Eel River Basin, which extends from the mouth of the Eel River north to Trinidad. He said if the oil companies put enough pressure on the secretary of the interior to approve the sale, the industry will probably buy up the leases regardless of the oil or gas potential.

"For the price paid, the investment is worth it for these companies," Fodge said.

California is trying to figure out a way to tax oil transported through its waters, he said.

State jurisdiction extends three miles off the coast. Territory beyond that is federal. The proposed area for leasing runs from three to 70 miles offshore.

Research inconclusive

Few studies have been done to determine if drilling in Northcoast waters adversely affects marine life. Research has been conducted off the coast of Southern California, but the results were inconclusive, Bob Behrstock, fisheries curator at HSU said. The only thing these studies showed, he said, was an increase in the concentration of fish in the immediate vicinity of the oil rigs, which serve as artificial reefs.

"There's a great deal of conflicting information about the effects of oil in the water," Behrstock said. "A lot of statements about drilling and pollution are backed by no data whatsoever."

Geology a mystery

Much of the offshore geology in Northern California remains a mystery, but the Eel River Basin, Behrstock said, is one of the most unstable underwater canyons in the state because of seismic activity. Despite the basin's strong oil

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the beginning of all affected streets," said HSU parking officer Jim Carson. "People should be able to understand the meaning of these signs even if they aren't posted periodically along the curbs."

Dave Wheeler, a 25-year-old botany major, and an Arcata Municipal Court judge seem to take a different view.

"I felt that the ticket I received while parked on B Street was invalid because there were no signs around," said Wheeler. "So I told it to the judge over at Arcata Municipal Court and I didn't have to pay the ticket."

While many tickets are given to

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Proposed budget includes building funds

by Richard Green

Funding for working drawings for the proposed \$4.6 million Applied and Physical Sciences Building at HSU has been included in Gov. Edmund G. Brown, Jr.'s 1978-79 proposed state budget.

If the working drawings are approved and promised state funding continues to develop, the new building could open by summer 1981.

The funding for the drawings totals \$220,000.

"We've been planning this building since 1968," Campus Architect Dorsey Longmire said. The proposed location for the building is adjacent to the baseball field.

Longmire said it is possible the state would agree to fund working drawings, but later decide not to fund construction.

"I'd like to think state approval for construction funding would be automatic. Sometimes it's hard to predict these things," said Longmire.

Although no artist's conception of the building has been drawn, a program of building requirements has been compiled.

The size would be close to 36,000 square feet and the greenhouse would be expanded to 10,000 square feet. Solar heating and heavy insulation would be used to conserve energy in the new science building. The proposed greenhouse would include roof domes.

Aside from the working drawings funding, \$6,000 in funding for installation of fume hoods, designed to reduce the release of toxic fumes from the Natural

Resources Building, is included in the budget.

"The \$6,000 barely scratches the surface of the kind of money we need to put new fume hoods in," Longmire said. "We were requesting over \$100,000."

Another bone of contention in the Brown budget is the pay raise to be given to instructional and supporting staff.

Continued "erosion"

"I see it as a continuance of the erosion of our educational system," said Ed Del Biaggio, director of administrative

services. "The Board of Trustees asked for a 9.9 percent pay raise. The Brown budget includes only a 5 percent raise. I think this aspect of the budget is going to cause some real concern at HSU and across the whole state university system."

Officials from the United Professors of California, California's largest professors' union, criticized Brown's budget as "continuing a pattern of neglect and discrimination against California's largest system of public higher education."

Senate accepts short add-drop

by Ziba Rashidian

A recommendation to shorten the add-drop period was approved by the Academic Senate Thursday and will now be forwarded to President Alistair McCrone for his consideration.

The senate recommended shortening the add period to 11 days from the present three weeks and the drop period to eight days from two weeks.

This followed a study by the Registration Task Force into the possibility of implementing computer assisted arena registration at HSU.

Arena registration is a method of registering students together at one time at a centralized location.

Survey data used

The task force concluded that arena registration "should not be implemented at Humboldt State University," at this time. It based the recommendation on survey data from students and faculty.

The task force report to the Academic Senate states that students preferred the present system of computer registration. Only seven of 28 department chairper-

sons who responded to the survey-favored arena registration.

"No evidence was discovered that an arena system would improve our current situation," according to the task force report.

The senate did not approve a task force recommendation that add-drop day be held at a centralized location.

Recommendations follow

The senate also made the following recommendations based on the task force findings:

—students should be told why they do not receive courses requested through computer registration,

—faculty and students should be familiarized with the registration process and,

—department chairpersons should be made aware of the usefulness of computer information on registration and encouraged to use it in scheduling classes.

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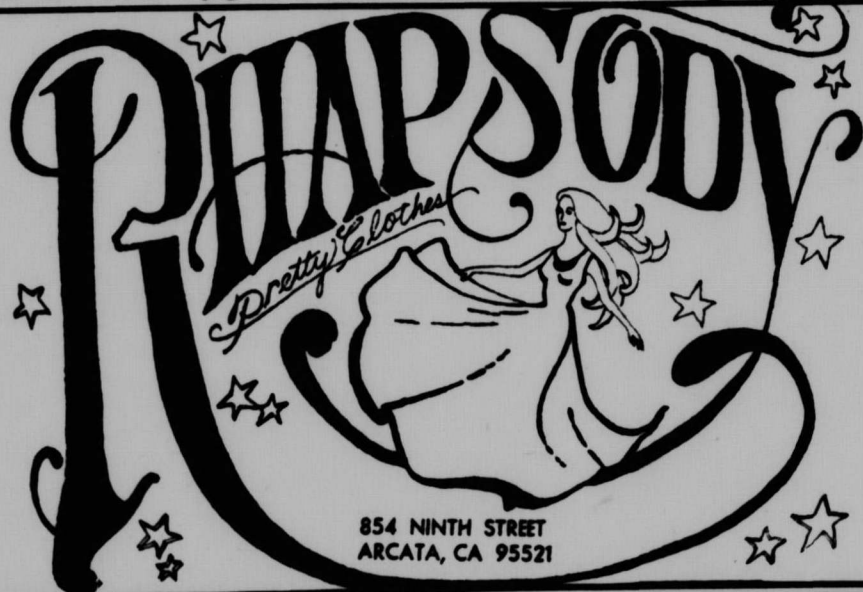
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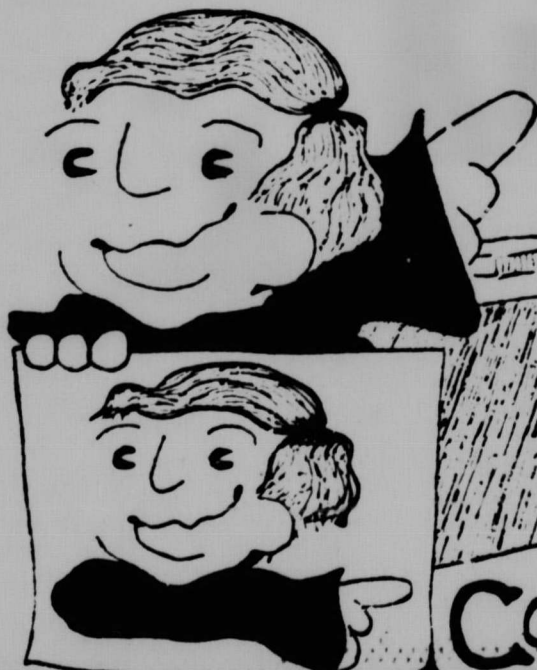
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Investment 'worth it'

Drilling risks uncertain

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potential, he doesn't like the idea of a mammoth oil platform sitting atop a thick bed of poorly consolidated river sediment.

Should there ever be an oil spill off the Northern California coast, the life form to suffer most will be the sea otter, Behrstock said. It is an animal whose thermoregulation system depends on a thick layer of fur that insulates its body from the cold water. Moreover, the sea otter spends virtually its whole life floating at the surface of the ocean.

"That's one animal in California we know is going to be killed when it gets its fur oiled," Behrstock said. "It's similar with birds, even though a large portion of them can fly away from a spill."

140 million barrels

Data on the extent of offshore reserves are conflicting. One estimate claims there are 140 million barrels of untapped oil in the Humboldt offshore basin, while a report prepared for the U.S. Energy Research and Development Administration in December 1976 says actual reserves are unknown. Only four to nine percent of the wells drilled off the Northern California coast reportedly hit oil.

Nevertheless, with domestic energy demands on the rise, Behrstock feels that economics will dictate more drilling. The argument that Northcoast seas are too rough to make drilling feasible is not valid, he said, because these conditions can be overcome.

"Different ballgame"

"Look at the North Sea and the Gulf of Alaska . . . where they have offshore platforms. The North Sea is one of the most blustery places in the world. Fifteen years ago, they probably wouldn't have even thought about drilling off Northern California, but now it's a whole different ballgame. If people want the oil badly enough, they'll drill for it."

Between the deadline for nominations, comments and the interior secretary's decision about leasing, environmental

impact studies will be done on the effects of offshore drilling, according to the Bureau of Land Management.

Bill considered

A bill to amend the OCS Act of 1953 to require environmental safeguards during exploration and development of oil and gas reserves is about to be acted upon by the House of Representative's Ad Hoc Committee on the OCS, said a spokesperson for Rep. Don Clausen (R-Crescent City). A similar Senate bill was passed in July 1977.

Police take on parked violator

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vehicles parked without permit on the street, at least as many tickets are given to unpermitted vehicles parked in the lots.

One in five get tickets

"On any given weekday afternoon between 250 and 300 cars are parked illegally on campus," said Carson. "There is just no way that I can ticket all of the violators."

The HSU police force does its best, however.

Before this month is over at least 1000 tickets will have been issued to cars parked on campus. Last quarter over 4000 tickets were issued.

This year some of the tickets issued will be more expensive.

Violators parking in the handicapped zones will be given \$25 tickets. It will not help if you walk out of your car with a limp either, because special decals are given to handicapped drivers.

"People parking without permits are just ripping off the people who pay for their permits," said Carson. "I guess a lot of people would rather take their chances with getting \$2 tickets instead of buying a parking permit."

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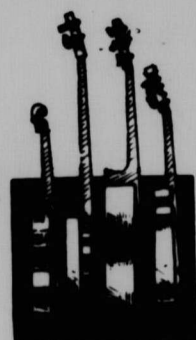
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Student impact on campaign '78

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Until 1972, when the 18-year-old vote became the norm, HSU was looked upon with favor from the Northcoast political community. Before that magic date HSU was basically an industry, pumping money into the local economy, not making too many demands and not upsetting the conservative political status quo.

Once 18-year-olds entered the electorate all hell broke loose in the minds of local conservatives. All of a sudden "liberals" were being elected and right thinking citizens were being "denied" representation because of voting students.

The prevalent argument against students voting is that students are transients so they should not be allowed to vote where they reside for three-fourths of the year. A related muttering commonly associated with this line of reasoning is that students, generally speaking, are not property owners and therefore have a lesser interest in affairs of the area and should not have so great an influence in local politics.

Fortunately this line of rot has been rejected by Congress and the Supreme Court. Our system recognizes the right of everyone to be represented just because he or she exists. There are still kinks in the operation but on the whole it is functional.

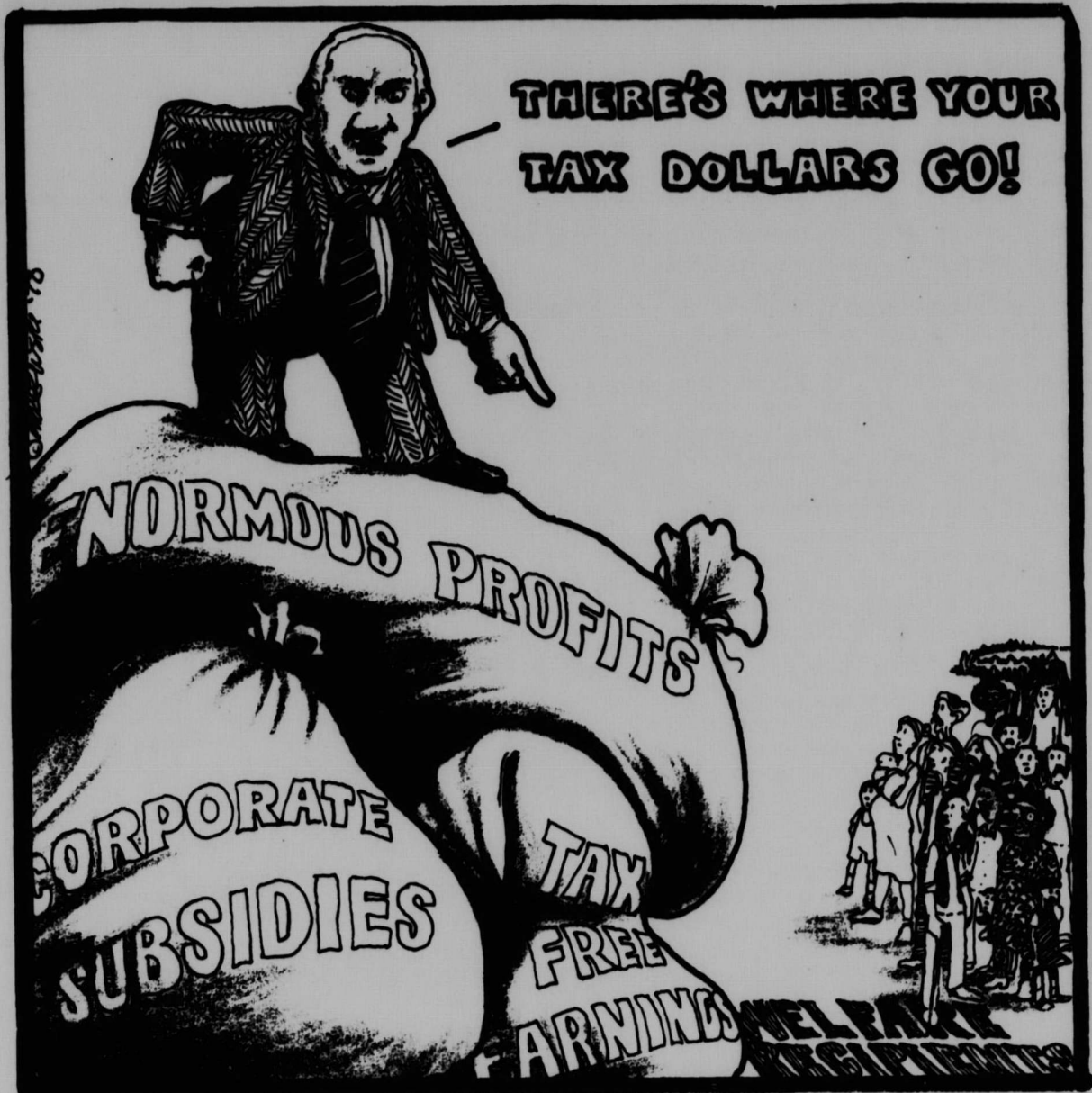
And students are not stupid, at least not any more stupid than other people. They can be convinced by the truth, lies, half-truths and empty promises just like other voters. The purpose of elections is to periodically get rid of the liars and incompetents that managed to win in prior elections.

We think it is important that students vote. You have as much of a right as anyone to determine who best represents the people and long term needs of the community. Take a few minutes to register.

Questions or comments should be addressed to the editor. The deadline for letters is noon Friday before publication. Letters should be no longer than one double spaced typewritten page.

All letters must contain the author's name, major and year if he or she is a student, title and department if he or she is a faculty member or administrator and community residents should be identified by town.

All letters are subject to editing.



Letters to the editor

Who's "Frozen?"

I think "Frozen," who gave us his second-hand insight in the Jan. 18 issue of The Lumberjack, is out of line in his comment.

I resent it and if I were a Chinquapin woman I would consider it slander, even if it is "indirect." I'm surprised you'd even print it.

Why doesn't "Frozen" identify himself instead of hiding behind his cold mask of insult?

Kath Ann Ronda
junior, liberal studies

Publicity

It continues to amaze us how student government elections are nothing but a sham. There is always talk of the low voter turnout. Is this due to apathy? Perhaps apathy is the case but we can't help but wonder if a total lack of publicity could be the main problem. A story in The Lumberjack and a banner posted on campus hardly suffice.

One thousand two hundred of Humboldt State's students live in the residence halls and on the first day of elections not one piece of publicity was posted anywhere near the halls. It is true that The Lumberjack is distributed in the halls, but a story on the same day of the elections is hardly enough advance notice.

As for the banner on campus, what happens if a student never has cause to walk through the quad where it is posted? And, of course, it is well within the realm of possibility that not everyone reads the campus newspaper.

It is time that the president of the Student Body take the initiative to run SLC and all elections legally.

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View from the stump



Throw the rascals out

by Ron Glick

One of the perplexing problems facing the university is what to do with full professors who have tenure but cannot teach. I think I can offer a viable solution: early retirement.

Anybody who has slept through an inept lecture given by a full professor knows what I am talking about. Your time is being wasted but there is nothing you can do about it. There is no mechanism in the university to maintain quality instruction from faculty members who have tenure, seniority and are at the top of the pay scale.

Even assuming that the reappointment procedures are equitable, some of these turkeys received tenure before students had the right to evaluate. These same professors, who caused students to ask for the right to evaluate in the first place, are still boring the minds of California's youth.

We should retire some of these highly paid professors early, at a portion of their present salaries and hire new people with the remaining portion. This would improve the quality of education at HSU without additional costs. By the time these new instructors climb the pay scale, the professors they replaced would have retired anyway.

Even if my rationale is not exact, I am confident it constitutes a reasonable assessment of the situation. Assuming some net loss in funds due to early retirement, the improvement in the quality of education should certainly offset the costs.



WALK-THROUGH VANDALISM

— One of a pair of walk-through trees at Smithe Redwoods State Reserve south of Garberville. The giants were the first of at least 16 chainsaw attacks on redwoods reported in parks along U.S.

Highway 101 since Jan. 1.

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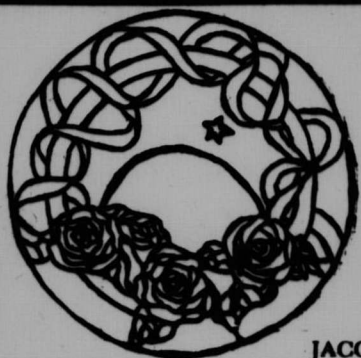
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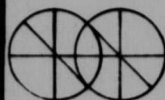


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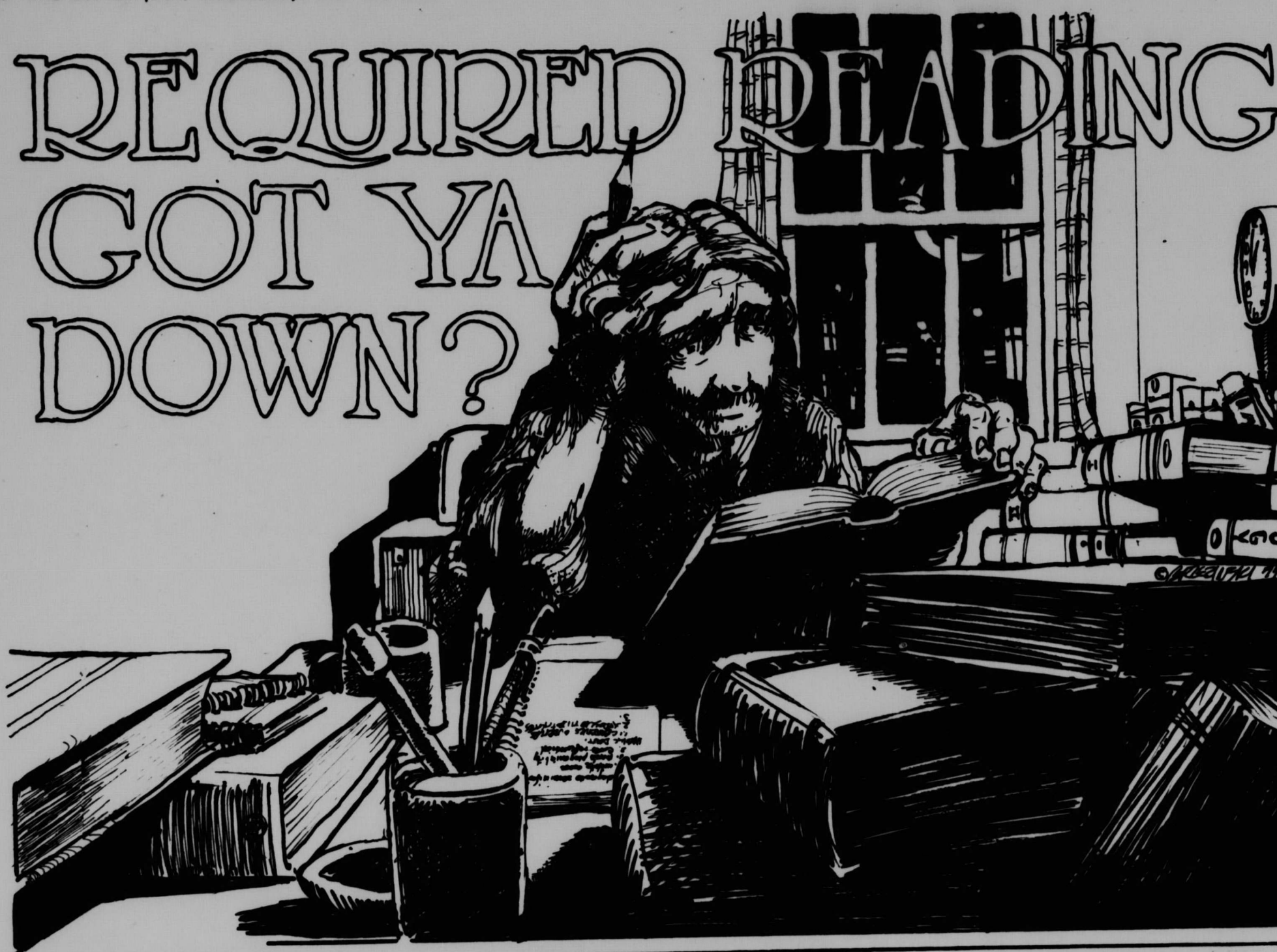
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Big band sound strikes it big at HSU

by Lisa Gates

While it may seem the 1950s were Elvis Presley's, the 1960s were the Beatles', and the 1970s are anybody's guess, Woody Herman and His Thundering Herd still manage to come pounding through the decades after 40 years of ageless music.

After the show at the Van Duzer Theatre sold out last Wednesday night and 20 pairs of disappointed eyes were turned away, the Herd displayed the timeless quality of the big band sound once again.

The tunes varied from a soft, bluesy hum, to a ticking, free beat, while Herman rolled into a vocal solo—"I've Got News for You."

"You said before I met you, your life was awfully tame—but I took you to a night club and the whole band knew your name!"

From there, the audience and the Herd set out to have a good time.

While the members of Herman's band—including 15 players whose ages range from 21 to 64—usually change from year to year, the intrinsic quality of the big band sound remains the basis of the Herd's success.

"I'm interested in all kinds of music," Herman said, adding that he has often used the music of Chick Corea and Steely Dan, as well as the old favorites such as "Woodchopper's Ball," in a performance.

"I'm open to anything, but I do think we have a sound of our own because of our instrumentation," Herman said.

Herman's band differs from the typical jazz band in that he uses four saxophones—three tenors and one baritone—as opposed to the usual five. Herman also uses only three trombones with five trumpets. No guitar is used. However, acoustic and electric bass are included.

Also unique to Herman's band is the large number of players recruited from private colleges and universities.

Most of the recruits in the past have been from the Berklee College of Music in Rochester, New York, and Boston University in Massachusetts.

Herman said he often knocks himself out trying to find good players, and both Boston and Berklee have big jazz departments that turn out high-caliber players.

Birch Johnson, a 21-year-old trombone player, is proof of this high caliber.

Like a proud father, Herman praised this youngest member of the Herd as a "highly gifted and talented performer who has a great future ahead of him."

On stage, Herman's concerned and worried temperament shone through as Johnson glided through an original piece entitled "Sugar Loaf Mountain, I Need You."

The lights dimmed, Herman took a seat and pensively mused, as if the future of jazz was dependent upon each note, each solo and each performance.

It is this lonely professionalism that distinguishes Herman from the other big band sounds.

While Herman has continued to rejuvenate old tunes, he has also managed to build a continual repertoire of progressive and original arrangements.

And unlike his somewhat shadowed counterparts, Tommy Dorsey and Glenn Miller, Herman has remained a leader.

Essential to the Herd's success, Herman said, is the addition of "new Blood" to the band.

Herman believes the biggest task now as a band leader, with such a highly talented and creative band, is "not allowing myself to be bored."

Thus, Herman relies on the artistry of the band as a whole, along with contemporary trends in music to keep the rhythm flowing.

And flow it does, with apparently little effort.

While jamming out "MacArthur Park," members of the band whispered to each other, tinkered and experimented with their percussion instruments, and taunted Herman with a plucked, rubber chicken.

Herman shook his head at the Herd's foolish antics and let the band roll.

For over 40 years, Herman has maintained what he calls a "hardcore jazz audience," and as long as he has his health, he said, he will continue to perform.

Though Herman may not produce another gold record—which he says has nothing to do with quality—you will certainly be seeing him around.

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Gym shorts

by John Cressy

Men's basketball

The men's basketball team dropped games to a pair of highly-regarded teams over the weekend: 80-75 to UC Davis on Friday and 61-50 to Santa Clara on Saturday.

Guard Steve Alexander was the 'Jacks scoring leader in both games with 22 and 24 points. The losses left HSU with a 2-2 FWC and 12-5 overall record. Davis, Hayward State and Sacramento State are the FWC co-leaders with 3-1 records.

The Santa Clara game was highlighted by a bomb threat midway through the first half. The crowd of over 4,000 was evacuated from the gymnasium and the game was delayed for 40 minutes.

The 'Jacks, the No. 3-ranked Division III in the nation before the losses, play the Alumni Saturday night at 8 in the East Gym.

Women's basketball

The women's basketball team also lost both its weekend games; 69-61 to San Francisco State and 81-70 to the University of Nevada-Reno.

Thirty-seven turnovers spelled doom for the 'Jacks as SFS overcame a 35-27 halftime deficit to win. Guard Sue Teasley and center J.J. Suttie scored 16 and 15 points to lead HSU.

Being outrebounded 40-27 in Saturday's game against the Wolfpack was the difference. But Coach Diann Laing was pleased with her team's balanced scoring in the game as Suttie, Teasley, Suzanne Washington, Chris Meyers and Alice Souders all scored in double figures.

The 'Jacks, 2-4 in GSC play and 3-6 overall, travel to Chico State Saturday.

Men's volleyball

The men's volleyball club played the roles of rogues as it grabbed both matches against Rogue River last weekend.

The spikers defeated the Medford, Ore. club 18-16, 10-15, 8-15, 17-15, 15-13 Friday night and swept it 15-12, 15-9, 15-10 Saturday.

The club takes its 3-1 record to this weekend's Santa Barbara Classic to play teams from throughout California.

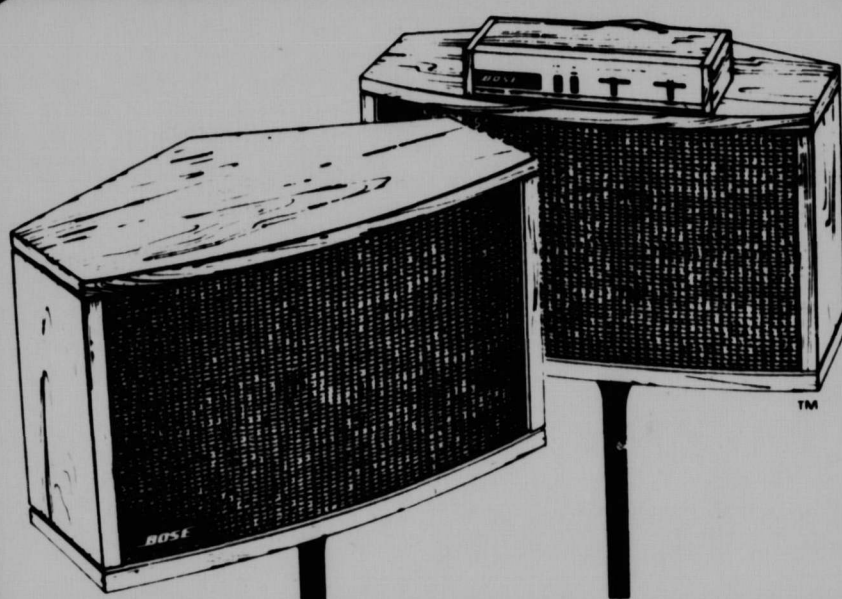
Women's swimming

The women's swimming team took a break from competition this weekend but resumes GSC action Friday when it faces Chico State and University of Nevada-Reno in a double-dual meet in Chico.

Women's gymnastics

Also taking the weekend off was the women's gymnastics team, but it has a busy schedule coming up. Thursday night it meets Sonoma State and Sacramento State at Sacramento and UC Davis at Davis on Friday.

Tuesday night the team returns home to meet the University of Nevada-Reno at 2 in the West Gym.



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FEELING PRESSURE—HSU's Sue Teasley looks for a teammate to pass to as a San Francisco State defender applies pressure during Friday night's game. Teasley scored 16 points, but the 'Jacks lost 69-61.

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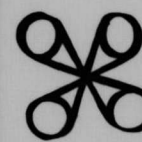
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Hubble resists temptation to go all the way

by Ray Richmond

Richard Hubble says he has been frustrated long enough. Now he wants to go all the way.

"My motivation and ultimate goal is to go all the way to the Nationals and be an All-American," Hubble, a senior on HSU's wrestling team, said. "After failing to place in last year's Nationals, I'm totally dedicated."

Idle talk? Not a chance. Lifting his record to a tremendous 16-0 with a tough 10-8 decision over San Francisco State's John Sha on Wednesday, Hubble is the only unbeaten, untied man on a team of superstars.

That team of superstars, alias the Lumberjacks, is 10-3 overall and 2-0 in Far Western Conference action following a 28-9 mauling of tough league for SF State.

Tender scalp saved

Among other things, the victory saved the tender scalp of coach Frank Cheek, who offered his dark locks (however few in number) be shaved off should HSU lose. But that type of behavior is nothing new to Hubble. He has seen that stuff for four years now.

"Coach Cheek is a motivator, and he'll work you 'till you can't work anymore," Hubble said. "That's why he wins, though. His teams produce."

Producing is something Hubble has done his whole life. He was born on an Air Force base in Puerto Rico 22 years ago, while his dad was stationed there.

The Hubbles moved to Plattsburg, N.Y. shortly after Richard's birth and stayed there for five years before packing up and moving to Delhi, Calif., which is located 20 miles north of Merced. They still reside there.

Service brat

"I was a service brat for quite a few years," Hubble said, "but we finally settled down in Delhi once dad retired from the Air Force."

Livingston High School, an 800 student campus near the farm town Hubble grew up in, was where he got his first introduction to wrestling. Actually, it should be said Hubble gave Livingston wrestling its first introduction.

With no prior varsity experience and only a few tips from the coach to go on, Hubble came through with a sensational 28-4 record in 1973 as a junior.

Hubble did just as well as a senior, compiling a 35-6 mark on the varsity while gaining a spot in the Cal State High School Tournament.

"As a team, we went 17-2 while winning the Trans-Valley League Championship in 1974," Hubble said. "Even though it's a small school, Livingston has always had great wrestling teams."

Despite his hefty record, Hubble wasn't even recruited by Cheek. Something as minor as not being noticed wasn't about to stop him, however.

Walk-on

"I had to come on the team as a walk-on, but I knew I had to wrestle for Humboldt," Hubble said. "Up here there's the great team, the redwoods, good fishing, and a change from the farm atmosphere."

So the determined Hubble stepped right in and made the team as a freshman, wrestling 34 matches. His record of 19-15, while not spectacular, was great simply because it's so rare to wrestle that much in the first year, especially under Cheek.

As a sophomore for the 'Jacks, Hubble's improvement was staggering. The dynamo went through the season 23-8, winning the Far West title and going to the Nationals.

A 27-9 record in regular season matches preceded a second place conference finish and another trip to the Nationals for Hubble last year. He was just beaten out of the FWC title by Dave Nelson of San Francisco State, a teammate of his at HSU when Hubble was a freshman.

"Probably the thing that stood out most about last season was an instance where Cheek really got pissed at us," Hubble related. "It was just after we had gotten our butts kicked up north by Oregon State five days before the FWC Championships."

"Cheek was so mad that after we got home he made the whole team run around the wrestling room for an hour without stopping," Hubble continued. "After our feet were good and blistered up, he forced us to do pull-ups, sit-ups,

and a bunch of other stuff. We didn't get out till 1:30 in the morning, but it must have shaken us up because we dominated the conference meet."

Hard work is no stranger to Hubble. He runs five miles a day in addition to six days a week of hard wrestling workouts. It seems the articulate PE major thrives on it.

"I've got to be in better shape than my opponent, that's the philosophy of both Cheek and myself," Hubble said. "I pride myself on condition. Wrestling and running go hand in hand, and if you don't run your wrestling won't be worth a crap."

Fluctuating weight

Hubble's height is 5'6", and his weight fluctuates between 134 and 156, depending what day you see him. He wrestles in the 134 pound class, but to make that weight he has to wrestle with a between-matches opponent—temptation.

Just one day before a recent match, Hubble weighed 146. But that's not unusual. Like every other wrestler at HSU, he'll have to run, wrestle, sweat, and starve the weight off before weigh-in the next morning.

"Making weight is the toughest thing in wrestling," Hubble said. It takes away your energy to pour everything out and not be able to eat. You can't concentrate on anything for more than five seconds.

"I haven't had that much problem making it, though. As long as I stay away from Cokes and candy and sugars, I'm OK. All I have to do is hit the weight five hours before the match, then I can replenish my fluids and be 10 pounds over by the time the competition starts."

While compiling his 16-0 mark, Hubble has had several major decisions, winning by scores in the 12-1, 14-2 range. Large point spreads in wrestling aren't just impressive statistics, either, since larger gaps mean more team points.

A perfect record at this point doesn't do much for Hubble, however. The only things that matter to him are that the team place high nationally and that he get All-American, about the only laurel that's eluded him.

National buildup

"All our regular season matches are just a build-up for the FWC Tournament (at UC Davis Feb. 18) and the Nationals in Cleveland (March 4)," Hubble said. "It will be a letdown if we don't win the conference, or if we don't finish in the top three in the country (NCAA Division III)."



photo by Kevin Cloherty

ANOTHER WIN—HSU's Rich Hubble sips some liquid refreshment after he defeated San Francisco State's John Sha 10-8 Wednesday night to remain undefeated for the year.

It doesn't figure it would be any question that Hubble will do his part to turn those dreams into reality. He's done everything asked of him, including wrestle with injuries. He competed with a pulled hamstring and back muscle in a match against Oregon Institute of Technology earlier in January, shrugging it off as his duty.

Hubble is only the third man in Cheek's nine year coaching stint to wrestle four years on the varsity squad, and he's the only four-year man now.

"He knows me like a book," Cheek says of Hubble. "The guy gives me a lot of headaches, but he's a winner. That's all that counts."

A national title may cure Cheek's headaches, though.

"In the Nationals, we'll have to wrestle six or seven matches in two days in order to win, but I think we can," Hubble said. "This is a team of winners, a team of champions. We're all setting our sights on it, we want it, and we'll get it."



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GIVING A LIFT—'Jacks' 150-lb. Jon Sylvia picks up opponent Kevin Newsome. It wasn't enough to lift him over the Gator however, as Sylvia lost 6-4.

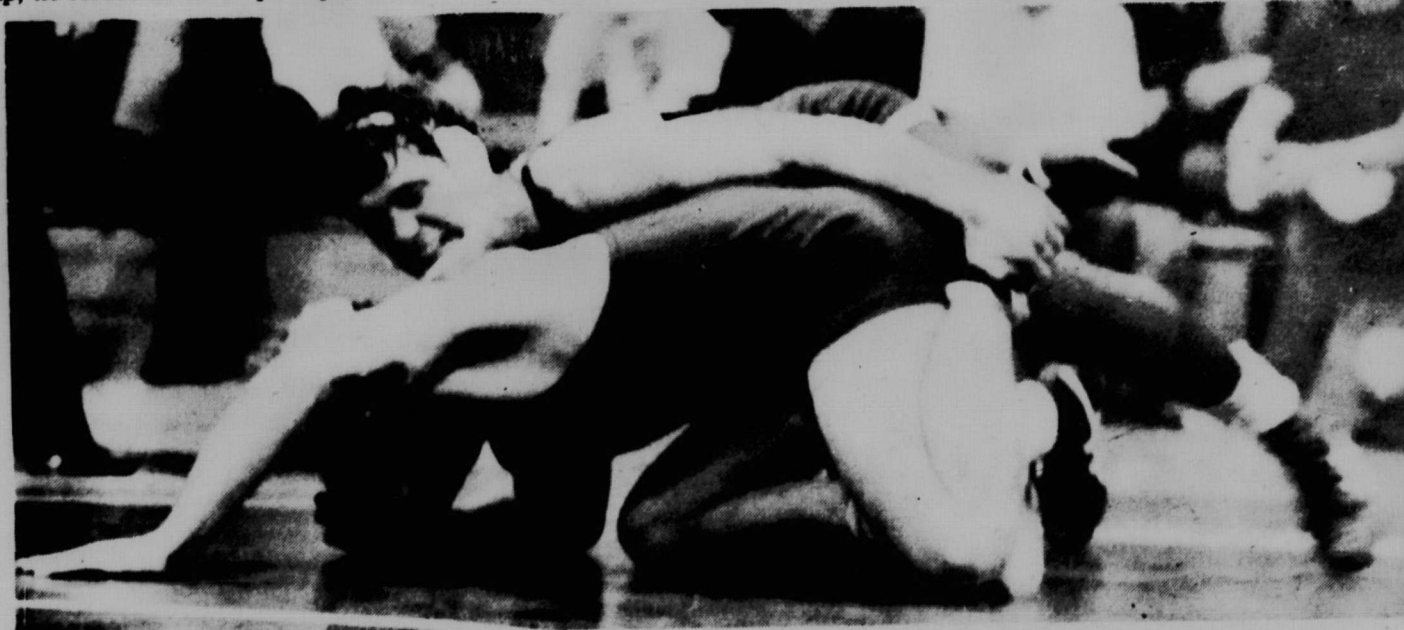


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UNDEFEATED ALSO—177-lb. Wayne Nickerson, shown on top of the Gator's Scott Olster Holt, is HSU's other undefeated wrestler with a 15-0-2 seasonal record. The 'Jacks saved coach Frank Cheek's scalp with a 28-9 victory. The

'Jacks have a busy weekend coming up, traveling to face Sacramento State on Thursday, UC Davis, Stanford and the University of Nevada-Las Vegas on Friday and wrestle in the San Francisco State Tournament on Saturday.